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NAME CHICAGOANS IN A BOMB PLOT

Federal Officers Investigate Sworn Charge That Huge Conspiracy Centers There.

AFFIDAVIT RELATES DETAILS

Explosives Made in Chicago by Germans Are Said to Be Used to Blow Up Factories—Discovery Made by Accident.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Information to the effect that eleven Chicagoans of German extraction, some of them prominent, are engaged in the manufacture in this city of explosives for use in blowing up plants in which ammunition and other war materials are manufactured, has been pieced in the hands of a government official in the form of an affidavit, and was turned over to Clinton G. Clabaugh, chief of the local bureau of investigation of the department of justice.

The affidavit is said to have been made and turned over to the government official with great secrecy. Its author is described as a young man who was born in the United States, but whose parents came from France. He succeeded in getting into the society of the eleven men by names through using an assumed name and representing himself as a German.

Described Gigantic Plot.

The affidavit made by him is said to go into great detail and describes Chicago as the center of a gigantic pro-German plot. It is declared that already great quantities of explosives have been made in Chicago and shipped to other parts of the country to be used in the destruction of munitions plants. The men who actually do the work of dynamiting the plants, it is said, act directly under the instructions of the Chicagoans.

It was said at the federal building that until verification can be made of the information contained in the affidavit, no disclosures will be forthcoming regarding its contents. The alleged plot is said to be in no way connected with the purported activities of the national peace conference, now under investigation by agents of the department of justice, chiefly in New York.

Discovery is Accidental.

The man making the affidavit, according to a government official, accidentally came upon the alleged plot through a woman acquaintance. The woman brought him into touch with a man who confided in him slightly. The curiosity of the author of the affidavit was aroused and he expressed himself as being in sympathy with the cause of Germany.

As other disclosures came to him he determined, he said, for patriotic motives toward the United States, as well as for a love for the land of his parents, to learn the extent of the alleged plot. One of the first things he was told was that the activities of the men in the plot were as closely guarded as are those of the most powerful secret society.

YUAN SHI-KAI TAKES THRONE

President of China Refuses the First Offer, but Accepts on Second Invitation.

Peking, Dec. 13.—Yuan Shikai, president of the Chinese republic, has called the throne of Chia-tung to the council of state.

As a parliament, the council to canvass the vote on the question of a change in the form of the government of China to a monarchy found that the votes of 1,993 representatives out of 2,943 qualified to vote on the proposition were favorable to the change.

The council of state immediately sent to Yuan Shikai a petition urging him to accept the throne. He declined at first, but when the petition was forwarded to him a second time accepted, with the proviso that he would continue to act as president until a convenient time for the coronation.

BLAST WRECKS ARMS PLANT

Munitions Factory of Belgian Government Destroyed by Explosions—Many Persons Injured.

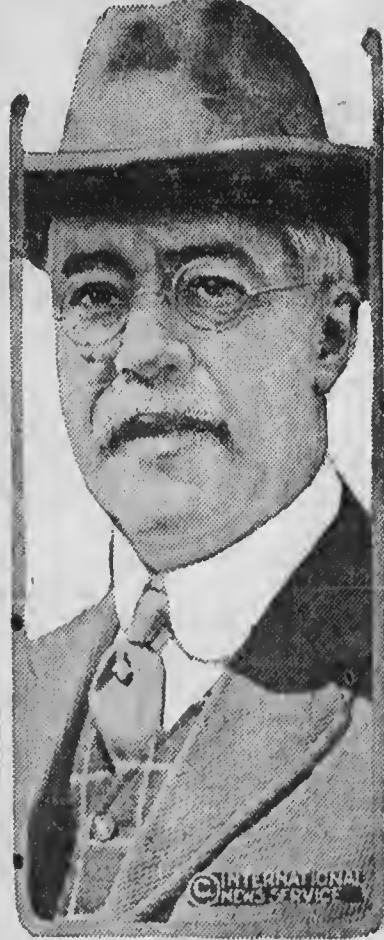
Havre, Dec. 13.—The munitions factories of the Belgian government were destroyed by an explosion, extensive damage was done, and many persons were injured. All the explosives were at work when a detonation occurred in one of the buildings containing a supply of powder and shells.

ASTRIAN AIRMEN IN RAID

Bombs Kill Two Persons and Injures Ten at Ancona—Aeroplanes Fly From Warships.

Rome, Dec. 13.—Two persons were killed and ten injured at Ancona Friday by an aerial bombardment carried out by Austrian aeroplanes. Four aeroplanes flew from warships off Ancona and dropped a number of bombs on the city. The air craft then returned to the warships, which sailed northward in the Adriatic.

FRANK A. VANDERLIP



GREECE YIELDS TO THE ALLIES

Hellenic Armies to Be Demobilized; Decisive Move Believed Near.

ENTENTE POWERS THREATEN

Atheno Cabinet Decides to Grant Requests—Expected That Withdrawal of Greek Troops From Saloniki Region Will Now Begin.

Zurich, Dec. 13.—German papers received here state that Bulgarian troops have been instructed not to pass the Greek frontier. This indicates, according to Swiss military experts, that only Austro-German troops will be used in the campaign against Saloniki.

Athens, Dec. 13.—At a cabinet meeting here it was decided to grant requests made by the entente ministers relating to demobilization of the Greek forces now in Saloniki, according to an announcement issued to the Athenian newspapers.

Paris, Dec. 13.—Greece has yielded to the demands of the allies; a large part of the Hellenic army will be demobilized; withdrawal of Greek troops now in the region of Saloniki will be imminent.

Announcement is Semi-Official.

This information came to Paris in a semi-official dispatch from Athens. The decision of the Greek government is said to have been reached after ministers of the entente powers had given notice that all Greek ports would be blockaded unless the allies were assured of complete liberty of military action.

New demands, said to have taken the nature of an ultimatum were presented at Athens Friday. These insisted upon withdrawal of the Greek troops concentrated at Saloniki. With Greece hesitating as to whether it should join the entente or central powers, its military forces were a source of danger to the allied troops while at Saloniki.

Anxiety Relieved.

In view of the official admission that the Anglo-French troops in Serbia had fallen back toward Saloniki, with news from Athens relieved the tense anxiety that has been felt here.

It is reported that the surrender of Greece to the chief demands of the entente nations will simplify greatly the problems which confronted the war council of the allies.

BULGARS TAKE SOME ALLIES

Sofia Reports Severe Rear Guard Actions and Desperate Hand-to-Hand Fighting.

Sofia, Dec. 13.—It is officially announced by the Bulgarian war office that the Anglo-French troops in southern Serbia began falling back toward the Greek border on Wednesday.

Severe rear guard actions have been fought between the Bulgars and allies. There was desperate hand-to-hand fighting in the streets of Grad-sen. The capture of a number of prisoners is also reported.

NEW CANAL DREDGING MARKS

1,228,730 Cubic Yards Removed in Galliard Cut—1,004,480 in Culebra Slide.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Now high marks in November for monthly dredging were set in both the Galliard cut and the Culebra slides, says the current issue of the Canal Record. A total of 1,228,730 cubic yards of earth was removed in the Galliard cut and 1,004,480 from the Culebra slides, or more than 150,000 cubic yards in excess of October figures for each place.

VILLA ELUDES CARRANZA MEN

Revolutionary Leader Arrives at Madero and Declares Intention to Carry on Conflict.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 13.—Gen. Francisco Villan has eluded the Carranza forces seeking his capture. He arrived at Madero and immediately got into communication with Juarez, his base of operations. Despite the collapse of his Sonora campaign, Villa declared his intention of carrying on the conflict with Carranza.

SEES PROSPERITY IN LAND

Heads of Six Insurance Companies Declare Wavo is a Natural Reaction.

New York, Dec. 13.—Real prosperity is sweeping the entire country in the opinion of the presidents of six of the largest life insurance companies in the United States.

Prosperity in the East, in their opinion, is due to orders from European nations for war supplies, but, in other sections of the country, they said, is the natural reaction from the depression that followed the outbreak of the war.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—A lone thief riddled the Art institute, boldly smashed a glass display case and vanished with a gem collection valued at from \$300 to \$500.

A rope dangling from the skylight from which a pane had been cut with a diamond was the only clue.

To Pass German Dyes.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The state department announced that Great Britain has consented to allow two caravans of dye stuffs to come through to this country from Germany provided they are consigned to Secretary of Commerce Redfield.

EDWIN Y. WEBB



BIG FIGHT IS NOW PROMISED

Said to be Much Opposition to Profit Sharing Among Agents.

CO-OPERATE WITH DEPARTMENT

Purpose of Plan Is to Interest Agents in Writing Only Desirable Insurance.

(Special Frankfort Correspondence.)

Frankfort.—A big fight is in prospect before the general assembly over the proposed profit-sharing commission for fire insurance agents, which would make them for all practical purposes a contingent of the state fire marshal's force, and which, it is expected, will be recommended by the commission now codifying the insurance laws. Agents are protesting against this feature of the proposed law, because, they insist, it is yet in the experimental stages, and if made compulsory by law, they will have no means of disregarding the system without an amendment to the law, if it proves unsatisfactory.

Under that plan, instead of receiving whatever per cent of the premium their commission now is, they would receive, perhaps, 10 per cent commission, and at the end of the year a commission based on the profits to the company on the business written by them during the year. The purpose of such a plan is to interest insurance agents in writing only the desirable risks, to avoid everlasting property and to stimulate them to co-operate with the insurance department in encouraging people to remedy fire hazards. If the agents, it is argued, share in the profits of the business, and lose this share if the losses eat up the profits, they will be interested in reducing losses to a minimum.

State Board Meets.

James P. Lewis is secretary of state-elect. The state board of election commissioners met here and completed the canvass of the vote in the state election, interrupted by the injunction issued to State Superintendent Barksdale Hamlett and afterward dissolved by Judge Stearns.

Postmaster General Burleson is especially interested in the establishment of aerial mail service and believes the aeroplane is destined to solve many a postal problem at present made vexing by the lack of transportation facilities. The speed of mail transmission can be greatly increased by aviation, the department believes.

Among the more important routes which the post office department has selected for the initiation of aerial mail service, as soon as congress furnishes money for the experiment, are the following:

West Bedford, Mass., to Nantucket Island; Philadelphia to Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Albany, N. Y., to Lake Placid, N. Y.; Albany to Lake George, N. Y.; Sag Harbor, N. Y., to New London, Conn.; Harrisburg, Ill., to Elizabethton, Ill.; Piqua, Mo., to Pearl, Ill.; Rolla, Mo., to Cabool, Mo.; Santa Maria, Cal., to Shreve, Cal.; Detroit to Pontiac, Mich.; Toledo, O., to Detroit, Mich., and Galveston, Tex., to Waukegan, Ill. The greatest distance covered by any of these routes is 112 miles, the minimum distance from Albany to Lake Placid.

Payments of Taxes.

The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co. and the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Co. paid into the state treasury taxes on their admitted franchise value. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co. was assessed at \$42,283, 383 by the state board of valuation and assessment. The company paid into the treasury \$8,898.41 on their admitted franchise value of \$16,245.

The franchise of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Co. was assessed at \$19,063.50. The company paid into the treasury \$42,588.40, on an admitted franchise value of \$7,743.350.

Consider Taxes Excessive.

For the fourth consecutive year suits will be brought in the federal court here by railroads to enjoin the collection of taxes on what they consider excessive franchise assessments.

The Louisville & Nashville and Chesapeake & Ohio laid the ground for suits by paying to the state auditor taxes on what they consider a fair valuation of their franchises and will sue to enjoin the collection on the basis of it.

It is to taxing districts.

Garnett's Portrait Unveiled.

According to a custom in the department to hang the portrait of the outgoing attorney general on the office wall, a portrait of Atty. Gen. James Garnett was unveiled in his private office in the presence of the office force Mrs. Garnett and T. B. McGregor, Atty. Gen.-elect Logan and Gen. Turnbourn's opponent; Robert Caldwell, of Louisville, youngest assistant, made the speech of the occasion.

Host of Applicants.

The state election commission met and granted the certificates of election of secretary of state to Judge James P. Lewis. Judge Lewis left for Whitehouse, to remain until after December 31. "I will not consider applications for appointments in my office until I return," he said. Applications are being made at the rate of 25 a day.

Holiday in Chicago.

Commissioner of Agriculture J. W. Newman and Dr. S. F. Musselman returned from Chicago, where they attended a conference on foot and mouth disease called by the Federal Department of Agriculture. Both were honored at meetings held while they were there. Commissioner Newman was elected secretary of the Board of Appeals of the American Association of Fairs and Expositions and Dr. Musselman was elected a vice president of the National Livestock Sanitary Association.

Berlin Post Suppressed.

London, Dec. 13.—"General von Kessel, commander at Berlin, has prohibited further publication of the Post, the leading conservative newspaper," says the American correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company. "Its offense was an article hostile to any form of peace unless Germany retains all the occupied territory."

CLOUD HOVERING

DANGER OF SPLIT SEEN BEHIND NOTE ON SHIP ATTACK—CALL FOR PREPARATION.

Torpedoed Assailed as "Barbarous."—Ruler Ordered to Punish Head of Submarine Crew.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Washington.—The United States, in a note to the Austrian Government, made public demands that the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona, with the loss of several American lives, be denounced by the Austrian Government "as an illegal and indefensible act; that the officer who perpetrated the deed be punished and that reparation by the payment of an indemnity be made for the citizens of the United States who were killed or injured by the attack on the vessel." This note is the first to contain the word "demand." Moreover, it is the shortest and most trenchant document ever written by the United States as the result of submarine attacks. This Government demands that the Austrian Government act "promptly" and "readily." These demands follow a statement informing Austria-Hungary that "the good relations of the two countries must rest upon a common regard for law and humanity."

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MOVIE THRILLER IS VERY TAME.

Cleveland, O.—Thrilling scenes, conceived in dare-devil artistry of motion pictures, were dramatically overshadowed in real life when two men in the midst of a death plunge from a wrecked scaffold on the side of the Hollenden Hotel hung perilously between earth and sky as a horrified crowd looked on. A rope snapped, and the narrow board scaffold it had dropped like a trapdoor snatched from under the feet of the two workmen on it. There was a scream, shriek of terror, and a body hurtled through the air toward the ground, more than 300 feet below.

VILLA PRISONERS ARE SHOT.

Douglas, Arizona.—No quarter was given Villa soldiers in the battle which started at Fraterna, eastward through to Sea Joquin and then east through a mountain pass into Chihuahua, according to Americans who arrived from the south. Villa soldiers taken prisoners were shot by order of Gen. E. Elias Calles and Gen. Angel Flores, Governors of Sonora and Sinaloa, respectively, according to the travelers. They said the wholesale executions were ordered to punish the Villa troops for looting.

CINCINNATI MARKETS

Wheat—No. 2 red \$1.17@1.19, No. 3 \$1.12@1.15, No. 4 \$1.05@1.12.

Corn—Quotations on new: No. 1 white 67c, No. 2 white 66 1/2@67c, No. 1 yellow 67c, No. 2 yellow 66 1/2@67c, No. 1 mixed 67c, No. 2 mixed 66 1/2@67c.

Oats—No. 2 white 44 1/2@45 1/2c, standard white 43 1/2@44c, No. 3 white 42 1/2@43c, No. 4 white 40@40 1/2c, No. 2 mixed 41@42c, No. 3 mixed 39@40c.

Hay—1 timothy \$19.50, No. 2 17.50, No. 3 \$16.50, No. 1 clover mix \$15@15.50, No. 2 \$14, No. 1 clover \$15, No. 2 \$13.

Eggs—Prime firsts 32c, firsts 31c, ordinary firsts 23c, seconds 21c.

Poultry—Broilers, 2 lbs and under, 16c; fryers, over 2 lbs, 12c; roasting chickens, 4 lbs and over, 12c; fowls, 5 lbs and over, 12 1/2c; under 5 lbs 11c; under 3 1/2 lbs, 10c; roasters, 9c; ducks, white, 3

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dressed to the Editor.
H. G. COTTLE, Editor.

France calls out 400,000 mere boys—for the infantry
of course.

Mr. Ford's voyagers won't be the only pacifists that
are all at sea.

1916 will witness seven eclipses—three of the sun, three
of the moon and one of the G. O. P.

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will come as near giving "value received" for every dol-
lar spent with us as any merchant in West Liberty, and if
we don't trade with you you have no kick "a-comin."

PUTTING A PREMIUM ON CRIME.

It is rumored that J. E. McGlone, defaulting Circuit
Court Clerk of Carter county, will be allowed to make
good his shortage and go free. If this is done it will not
speak well for the officers charged with the enforcement
of the law in that county. So long as men who steal pub-
lic money are permitted to escape a term in prison by pay-
ing a part or all of the money back, that long will the law
will be held in disrepute and other potential thieves be en-
couraged to commit like crimes.

A defaulter should not escape the penitentiary be-
cause he comes of a good family. It might be the cause
of some other member of his family making a like mis-
take.

One of the last acts of Governor McCreary was to
grant unconditional pardons to a half-dozen men con-
victed of murder. We venture the prediction that before two
years have elapsed one or more of these pardoned men will
again be on trial for taking the life of a fellow-man, and
if this prediction comes true the venerable ex-Governor
will be in a measure responsible for the crime.

When a man, who is mentally responsible, commits a
crime he ought to be convicted, and after this is done he
ought to stay convicted until he has paid the full penalty.

APPROVING THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The message which President Wilson delivered to
Congress last week has attracted more attention than any
other message to Congress during the last thirty years.

It is admitted by all that the state papers of President
Wilson rank very high, but none of the others equal the
last one in the epoch making events which it inaugurated.

From every location the great chorus of approval is
swelling wider and louder and louder; for the
country realizes now as never before that the vast and un-
limited wealth of this great country is "no longer safe"
without adequate defense.

The American idea of preparedness is to be a citizen-
ry trained to arms so that if we are attacked, as some of
the nations of Europe have been attacked, we will be
ready to meet the aggressor with trained men. President
Wilson is acting on the same principle as any city, which
organizes a police and fire department for the protection
of life and property.

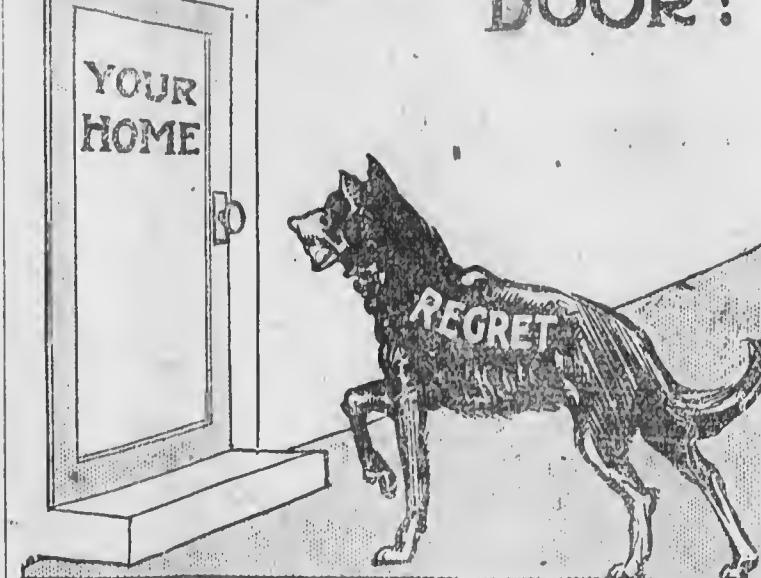
The part of President Wilson's message which flays
the "disloyal citizens," that is, the hyphenated variety,
was most warmly applauded by Congress. There is an
urgent necessity for a law making it an "act of treason"
for anyone to injure the industries of this country with a
view of conferring any kind of benefit on a foreign coun-
try. Congress will undoubtedly pass a law so drastic that
that the "hyphenated animals" which have been abusing
their privileges in this country will be shot in the future
and their property confiscated if any more activity is in-
dulged in resulting in or aiming at violence of any sort,
for the benefit of a foreign nation.

SCISSORS & PASTE
Good Things Clipped from
Our Exchanges with an
Occasional Comment
By the Editor.

Snakes Walk on Their Ribs.
Have you ever wondered how a

snake runs without any legs? The snake's legs have been a source of myths and mysterious tales since ancient times. There is an old story, which some persons still believe, that if you throw a snake into the fire it will show its legs. The story of

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Frankfort—Kentucky's Road Commissioner, Robert C. Terrell, who has successfully put into operation the good roads laws of Kentucky and for the past three years has been the head of the road department, was born near Bedford, Trimble county, Kentucky, in 1884. After finishing the common school of that county, he entered the State University of Kentucky and graduated from that institution in 1906, receiving the degree of bachelor of engineering, and was given the master's degree in civil engineering in 1908.

Immediately after receiving his degree in 1906, he took charge of the location of the Duck Fork extension of the Louisville & Atlanta railway, now a portion of the L. & N. system. In addition to locating the road, Mr. Terrell mapped and opened up a large coal field for the Kentucky River Coal & Coke Co., which was afterwards leased by the Big Hill Coal Co. of Pennsylvania. In June, 1907, after completing the work with the Kentucky River Coal & Coke Co., Mr. Terrell was employed by the Arkansas, Louisiana & Gulf Railway at Hamburg, Arkansas, as assistant engineer on twenty miles of construction, where he remained until its completion in the summer of 1908.



ROBERT C. TERRELL
Kentucky Road Commissioner.

Through Mr. Terrell's influence with the Board of Trustees of the State University of Kentucky, there was established the chair of rural and highway engineering in the Department of Civil Engineering of that institution. He was unanimously chosen professor of that chair. He immediately began the campaign to secure not only the undergraduate students in the course, but also arranged to have the practical road builders of the state to take short courses and attend lectures during the winter session. The course grew very popular, and many students came to it in both the two and four year courses for undergraduate students and large numbers of the county road men, as well as the county judges and magistrates matriculated for the lecture courses.

In 1912, when the Department of Public Roads was established by the General Assembly, Governor McCreary called Mr. Terrell from the chair of rural and highway engineer of State University of Kentucky and appointed him the first Commissioner of Public Roads of Kentucky. Mr. Terrell assumed his duties on July 1, 1912, and has untiringly given his time and attention to the upbuilding of the road system of the state. Through his efforts and the showing made by the department prior to the meeting of the General Assembly of 1914, it was made possible the passage of the state road laws in Kentucky, which provide for a network system of highways and a free tax on automobiles to be spent for the construction of the state system of highways, the state paying one-half the cost and the county one-half the cost of such improvement.

Mr. Terrell, through his splendid corps of assistants and thorough organization, has had active supervision and charge of the preparation of the plans, specifications and estimates of cost and actual construction of more than one thousand miles of road, and has thoroughly demonstrated to the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky the advantage of having roads constructed on scientific principles, and has made popular the new road laws and has been successful in securing the co-operation of the county officials throughout the state.

Mr. Terrell, who is interested in the subject, stated he was well pleased with the success of the new road laws and that a good showing had been made this year, and that fully fifty per cent more work would be accomplished during the year 1916, as the county officers of nearly every county in the state have already signed their intention of taking the proportion of the state aid law to the coming year, and many more counties are preparing to vote bond issues—American, Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 14, 1916.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Morgan County National Bank of Cannel City, Ky., will be held in their banking house Tuesday Jan. 11, 1916. CUSTER JONES, Cashier.

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KENTUCKY LEADER IN GOOD ROADS

Began Building Macadamized Roads as Far Back as the Eighteenth Century

STATE AID LAW IN 1914

In 1908 the General Assembly of Kentucky Passed a Constitutional Amendment Permitting the State to Lend its Credit to the Counties for Roadbuilding and Maintenance.

Frankfort—Kentucky was one of the first states in the union to establish state aid for road construction. As early as 1810 the General Assembly of Kentucky provided for the opening of roads to the Virginia line and began the construction of macadamized roads in 1820.

Prior to 1840, Kentucky had spent more than \$2,000,000 in the construction of macadamized roads which were built on rights of way sixty feet wide. These roads were located on light grades and easy curves, and were graded twenty-four to thirty feet between ditches. Telford foundations between sixteen and twenty-four feet were used with a good macadam surface. This work was under the supervision of a state engineering department, consisting of a state highway engineer, at a salary of \$5,000 per year, with a corps of assistants at salaries ranging from \$1,100 to \$2,500 per annum. Many of these roads are yet in a splendid state of preservation, and are rendering substantial service to the communities through which they pass.

However, the policy of internal improvement was discontinued prior to 1850, owing to the financial condition of the treasury, and a change in political parties, and it was not until 1908 that any attempt was made to revive a state system of highways. In 1908 the General Assembly of Kentucky passed a constitutional amendment permitting the state to lend its credit to the counties for roadbuilding and to provide for the construction and maintenance of public highways.

The department was organized and Robert C. Terrell was appointed the first commissioner. The duties of the department were purely advisory, and while the counties were required to

make the roads, the department was to establish a system of roads and establish rates of cost for the road and bridge work, which exceeded \$500 in cost, they were not compelled to use the plans and specifications thus prepared. It was not until after the state aid law passed by the General Assembly of 1914 became operative that the state was really in a position to lend material aid to the counties. Although a great deal was accomplished by the commissioner and his assistants prior to 1910, it was only, as stated above, advisory, which in many instances it was hard to get the county officials to take advantage of the engineering assistance offered, but in 1914 the general assembly passed a law levying a five-cent tax on each \$100 worth of taxable property in the state of Kentucky. The law further provided that the money should be distributed to the counties based upon the amount of money levied and collected in each county for roadbuilding, and that no county should receive in any one year more than two per cent of the total road fund. The department immediately set to work in the spring of 1915 to secure the co-operation of the counties in building a system of roads as laid out in the bill passed by the General Assembly, which provided that the roads should connect up the county seats of each county of the Commonwealth with the county seats of the adjoining counties by the most direct and practical route, and the county seats of border counties with the state line on the most direct and practical routes leading from said county seats to the county seats of the adjoining counties in the adjacent states.

Why not nationalize highways as well as national waterways?

Scarcely Secondary to Rail Transportation in Their Far-reaching Effect on Civilization.

The two great necessities of modern life are education and transportation, for civilized travels in the wake of good schools and good roads. Good roads lead in more good directions than the most far-seeing can contemplate. Commerce begins on the country roads and highways; they effect school attendance and literacy; they control markets and prices, values of land, the development and contentment of the people, the cost and pleasure of living, and are scarcely secondary to rail transportation in their far-reaching effect.

They determine the character and growth of the community, and the necessity for them cannot be overestimated, for a country that isn't worth a good road isn't worth living in.—Courier Journal.

"Krismas Kandies" at Henry Cole's.

Ten-pound Fish.

Boyd Osbourne, who lives near the mouth of Sugar Creek on the Kentucky River, has been quite successful as a trapper this fall, and his latest catch in one of his deadfalls establishes a reputation for him that will be looked upon with envy by others who follow this profession. One day last week he set a deadfall near the edge of the river for a canon that he knew lived near the spot, and the trap was baited with a large piece of chicken, a very toothsome morsel for his "companion," but that night the river rose and the trap was entirely submerged. Three days later the river fell and left the trap high and dry, and to Mr. Osbourne's surprise he found it contained a large catfish that weighed exactly ten pounds. This may sound a little "fishy," but it is vouchered for by several of the neighbors who were called in to see the wonderful catch.—Lancaster Central Record.

Return to Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Caraway, who left here about three years ago and have since been making their home in Illinois, have returned to their native health to spend the winter.

Wallace was formerly owner and editor of the Morgan County Messenger and when that paper was merged into the Courier he became a stockholder in the Morgan County Publishing Company and worked on that paper for some time.

They will return to Illinois in the spring and resume their residence there.

Wild Geese Wintering.

A most novel and unusual sight is to be witnessed every day near Smith's mill on Valley Creek, where at least fifty-six wild geese have taken up their winter habitation in the center of a fifty-acre wheat field. They seem to be perfectly satisfied with their sentinels to warn them of the approach of hunters. A number of futile attempts have been made to get close enough to them for a shot. The geese fly off when they are approached, but when the land is clear return to their wheat field.—Elizabeth-town News.

Guinea Mothers a Quail.

A guinea hen belonging to Mrs. Omer Shadley, at Cross Plains, stole her nest in the woods last summer and hatched a brood. When she came home with the flock a young quail was among the little guineas. This quail, now full grown, has never left the flock of domestic fowls, and comes up every evening to roost alongside the mother guinea. The novel sight of a Bob White leisurely strolling about the Shadley premises excites frequent comment from visitors at their home.

A policeman in Kansas City saw a woman walking along who seemed to have more than her share of packages. He timidly asked for an explanation. The woman was Mrs. Lena Federich of Simpson avenue. Mrs. Federich did not seem especially to exert herself, but the policeman found that the sack under one arm contained eighty pounds of corn, that under her other arm she held 100 pounds of wheat, while topping her head was a sack with twenty-four heads of cabbage in it. Mrs. Federich had secured her riches from the freight yards of the Missouri Pacific railroad. Ed Judy, the investigating policeman, was obliged to call two other minions of the law to help him carry the load that the woman managed with ease, though Mrs. Federich was not of the Amazonian type. Nothing like practice, as the woman said who caressed a calf.

Born recently, to the wife of Asa Lykins, a boy.

John Miller, of Wise, got his house and barn and about all he had burned one day last week. Mr. Claud Lykins and Miss Priscilla Stacy surprised their friends Sunday when they boarded the train for West Liberty, where they were quietly married. Claud is the son of Sam R. Lykins, of Wells station. His wife is the daughter of George Stacy, of Stacy fork. After the wedding they returned home.

A merry Christmas to the Courier Crew.

SQUARE DEAL.

After taking Dr. Miles' Laxative Tablets children ask for "more candy."

Two Golden Days.

There are two days of the week upon which and about which I never worry, two care-free days kept sacredly free from fear and apprehension.

One of these is Yesterday. Yesterday with all its cares and frets, with all its pains and aches, all its faults, its mistakes and blunders, has passed beyond the reach of my recall. I cannot undo an act that I wrought. I cannot unsay a word that I said on Yesterday. All that it holds of life, of regret and sorrow, is in the hand of the Mighty love that can bring sweet waters out of the bitterest desert—the love that can make the wrong things right, that can turn weeping into laughter, that can give beauty for ashes, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness, joy of the morning for the woe of night.

Save for the beautiful memories that linger, sweet and tender like the perfume of roses, in the heart of the day that is gone, I have nothing to do with yesterday.

And the other day I do not worry about tomorrow, with all its possible adversities, its burdens, its perils, its large promises and poor performances, its failures and mistakes, is as far beyond the reach of my mastery as its dead sister—yesterday. Its sun will rise in roseate splendor, or beyond a mask of weeping clouds. But it will rise. Until then the same love and patience that held yesterday and holds tomorrow, shines with tender promise into the heart of today. I have no possession in that unborn day of grace. All else is in the infinite keeping of that Infinite Love that holds for me the treasure of yesterday, the love that is higher than the stars, wider than the sky, deeper than the seas.

There is left for myself, then, but one day of the week—today. Any man can fight the battles of today. Any woman can carry the burdens of just one day.—Robert J. Burdette.

MALONE.

Much is being said about roads

and many prescriptions have been given, but the nurses haven't done their duty and therefore the roads are still sick.

J. S. Castle, who was kicked by a mule the 4th. inst. and severely wounded, is improving nicely.

James Quicksall is at the point of death at this writing with lung trouble. He has been an invalid for some time.

Lacy Keith, who spent the past six month in Oklahoma, returned home a few days ago.

Eld. C. F. Walters, of Pekin, is billed to begin a meeting at South Liberty next week.

Mr. Lee Congleton, of Richmond, was here on business last week.

It is conceded by many that the licensed distilleries of White Oak will have a swell trade through the Holidays. A very lame law, indeed, that will capture and destroy moonshines and give license to make whiskey in wholesale lots.

An infant child of Mr. W. M. Haney died Thursday night and was buried Friday at Stacy Fork.

The writer enjoyed the pleasure Sunday of visiting the Honorable J. W. Steele.

"Uncle Wick," as he is familiarly called, says if he lives to see the 16th of next March he will be ninety years old. He has lived on the same farm for 69 years, and yet possesses the fond recollection of his boyhood days. A conversation with him would interest the aged, young, and middle aged.

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